APPEAL

RE: Appeal of Denial of Invoice for Internet Access

Date: March 30, 2007

Applicant Name: Conemaugh Valley School District

Form 471 Application Number: 448001 Form 472 Invoice Number: 729005 Billed Entity Number: 124426 Funding Request Numbers: 1496906 Funding Year: 2005 (Year 8) Correspondence Dated 02/21/2007

Administrator Decision on Appeal Dated 03/26/2007

CC Docket No. 02-6

<u>Appeal Request</u>: The Administrative appeal for Internet Access Service Form 472 Invoice 729005 was denied. We wish to appeal this denial based on the fact that the SLD made the denial on the basis of a letter we did not receive and a policy that is not documented.

In the letter dated 03/26/2007, the SLD stated,

"On October 10, 2006, you received a revised Funding Commitment Decision Letter that approved funding for FRN 1496906 resulting from your operational SPIN Change Request. The letter instructed you to file a Form 486 for FRN 1496906 before invoicing for services. To date, there is no Form 486 on file for FRN 1496906.

A Form 486 must be filed for 1496906. You will receive a Form 486 Notification Letter with instructions for filing a Form 472...

Since no Form 486 was filed prior to the USAC receiving the Form 472, the appeal is denied."

Applicant Explanation:

We have no record of having received the revised Funding Commitment Decision Letter as described above.

In addition, we believe the SLD erred in that there is no written policy requiring the filing of a Form 486 subsequent to the completion of a SPIN Change Request. A careful review of the current SLD website Reference section on Operational SPIN Changes (information updated as of 08/07/2006) has no indication of such a requirement. Moreover, in the past SPIN changes were completed successfully without the requirement of an additional Form 486; changing of vendors does not change the status of the certifications made on the original Form 486.

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We request that the invoice be funded in full for \$4,861.01.

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In addition to the above, we are also available to provide any additional clarification needed. I look forward to your resolution of this appeal and am available to answer any other questions you may have. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

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